

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
OFFICE OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND BUSINESS REGULATION  
DIVISION OF ENERGY RESOURCES**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED REGULATIONS**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) c. 30A, §2, that the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation, Division of Energy Resources (DOER) will hold a public hearing to receive oral and written testimony on proposed *revisions* to its regulations entitled:

**Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard (225 CMR 14.00)**

The revisions to the regulations are proposed pursuant to the authority granted by M.G.L. c. 25A, §§6 and 11F. The regulations implement the statutory mandate in M.G.L. c. 25A, §11F that requires all retail electricity suppliers selling electricity to end-use customers in the Commonwealth to obtain specific minimum percentages of their electricity supply from new renewable energy generation sources according to a prescribed schedule.

DOER will also accept testimony on a draft *Guideline on the RPS Eligibility of Biomass Generation Units*, according to the schedule below.

**Interested persons may appear at a PUBLIC HEARING to be held in Boston, Massachusetts, on June 28, 2006, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at 100 Cambridge Street (Saltonstall Building), 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Conference Room B. Attendees must show photo identification at the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor security counter, receive a visitor's pass, and pass through a metal detection security gateway.**

**The deadline for *INITIAL* WRITTEN COMMENTS is 5 p.m. on July 6, 2006. The deadline for *FINAL* WRITTEN COMMENTS is 5 p.m. on July 18, 2006. Written comments must be submitted to DOER in both electronic and hard-copy versions. Hard-copy versions must be submitted to Robert Sydney, General Counsel, Division of Energy Resources, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 1020, Boston, Massachusetts 02114. Electronic versions must be e-mailed to [doer.rps@state.ma.us](mailto:doer.rps@state.ma.us). Those who speak at the public hearing are urged also to provide written copies or summaries of their statements at the hearing.**

The proposed revisions to the RPS regulations, the draft *Guideline on the RPS Eligibility of Biomass Generation Units*, the *Background Document on Proposed Revisions to the Regulations for the Massachusetts Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard*, and directions to the public hearing site can be downloaded from the DOER web site at [www.mass.gov/doer/rps](http://www.mass.gov/doer/rps). Anyone with questions about the public regulatory process should contact Howard Bernstein at 617-727-4732, extension 40155.

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